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SUBJECT: "OREGON II"

REF: STATE 116949, BRASILIA 4147

1. TWO BRAZILIAN OBSERVERS FROM SUDEPE, MR. FARIA AND MR. AGNES, HAVE ARRIVED IN TRINIDAD AND ARE NOW ON BOARD "OREGON II." FARIA AND U.S. FIELD PARTY CHIEF (ALEXANDER DRAGOVICH) IN CONTACT WITH SUDEPE BY TELEPHONE MAY 12 AND MAY 13 TO DETERMINE WHETHER CLEARANCE DECREE HAS BEEN SIGNED AND TO DETERMINE WHAT DECISION HAS BEEN MADE ON ADDITIONAL OBSERVERS. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT CLEARANCE DECREE IS EXPECTED TO BE SIGNED BUT HAS NOT YET BEEN AND THAT OBSERVER FROM BRAZILIAN NAVY WILL BE REQUIRED IF SHIP ENTERS BRAZILIAN WATERS.

2. "OREGON II" WILL NOW DEPART TRINIDAD MAY 14 WITH TWO BRAZILIAN AND ONE GUYANESE OBSERVERS. THE SHIP WILL MAINTAIN RADIO CONTACT WITH ITS HEADQUARTERS IN PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI CONCERNING FINAL APPROVAL FOR BRAZILIAN PORTION OF CRUISE AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR ADDITIONAL BRAZILIAN OBSERVERS. DRAGOVICH HAS SUGGESTED TO THE BRAZILIAN AUTHORITIES THAT THE OBSERVER BE PICKED UP IN CAYENNE, FRENCH GUIANA ON MAY 21 OR 22, IF DECISION IS MADE TO SEND HIM. "OREGON II" DOES NOT
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NOW INTEND TO ENTER BRAZILIAN WATERS UNTIL IT RECEIVES

ASSURANCES THAT FORMAL APPROVAL FOR RESEARCH HAS BEEN
GIVEN.

3. DRAGOVICH REQUESTS THAT AMEMBASSY BRASILIA SEND
INFORMATION REGARDING CLEARANCE AND BRAZILIAN OBSERVER
TO DEPARTMENT FOR RELAY TO NOAA OFFICE IN PASCAGOULA.
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